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### Monroe County Executive

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## BROOKS ANNOUNCES HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTIONS FOR WEBSTER & PENFIELD

Monroe County Executive **Maggie Brooks** announced today that the County's Department of Environmental Services and the Towns of Penfield and Webster have joined forces to hold an **appointment-only** household hazardous waste (HHW) collection at the Town of Webster Highway Garage, 1005 Picture Parkway, on Saturday, April 28, 2007 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. This is the first of six regional HHW collections for 2007.

"By continuing to work in a collaborative manner with our partners in local government, we are protecting our community, and providing a valuable service to our residents," stated **County Executive Brooks**. "Through this partnership, we are continuing to protect the air we breathe and the water we drink."

Most household hazardous waste (such as paint, flammables and other chemicals from home-use) is safe when used and stored properly. When these materials become unwanted and are disposed of improperly, these household wastes can become environmental hazards.

During 2006, the Department of Environmental Services, in cooperation with the Eastman Kodak Company, safely disposed of 293 tons of hazardous material.

To ensure safety and reduce waiting times, <u>appointments are required</u> at all household hazardous waste collections. **Appointments for this collection will be accepted until April 27.** To schedule an appointment, Webster residents can call 872-1443. Penfield residents should call 340-8710. Waste from businesses will not be accepted.

Up to 30 gallons of the following materials will be accepted per appointment at no charge:

- Oil-based & Latex Paint (for 1/3-gallon or less of Latex Paint: discard lid, add kitty litter, let dry, place can in trash)
- Wood Stain & Preservatives
- Automotive Fluids (antifreeze; brake, power steering and transmission fluids)
- Pesticides & Fertilizers
- Flammable Products (gasoline, kerosene, thinners, strippers, solvents)
- Household Cleaners (liquid soaps & waxes, drain cleaners, etc.)

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- Driveway Sealer
- Pool & Photo Chemicals
- Rechargeable (Ni-Cad) & Button Batteries
- Mercury (thermometers, thermostats)
- Syringes/Sharps (safely packaged)

**DO NOT BRING** used motor oil & vehicle batteries (contact service station or retailer); Propane tanks (permanent household hazardous waste facility only); cans with <u>dried</u> paint (if it rattles when shaken – remove lid and place in trash); empty containers (trash or recycle); everyday alkaline batteries (trash); glazing/spackle & joint compounds (trash).

If residents are unable to take advantage of this mobile household hazardous waste collection, the County's permanent collection facility is open (by appointment only) weekly. For more information, or for business waste disposal options, call DES at 753-7600 (option 3), or go on-line to <a href="https://www.monroecounty.gov">www.monroecounty.gov</a>

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